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In re Patent Application of: )  
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For: HYDROALKYLATION OF )  
AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS )

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 8, 2002, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are requested. Inasmuch as this response is accompanied by a petition and fee for a one month extension, this amendment is being filed in a timely manner. Please amend the claims as follows and consider the ensuing remarks below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 7 and 9 through 11 as follows (A clean copy of the claims appears below and a marked up copy is in the Appendix):

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7. (Twice Amended) A catalyst suitable for the hydroalkylation of an aromatic hydrocarbon comprising

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